# The 10<sup>th</sup> Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

#### **General Debate**

## National Statement of the Delegation of the Republic of Indonesia by

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#### Mr. President,

Let me begin by congratulating you on assuming the presidency of the 10<sup>th</sup> NPT Review Conference.

Rest assured of Indonesia's support towards the success of this Conference.

Indonesia associates itself with the statements delivered by the Group of the Non-Aligned States Parties to the NPT and ASEAN.

## Mr. President,

For over 52 years, NPT has been the cornerstone of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation's architecture.

The world has been expecting Nuclear-Weapon States to undertake effective measures in the direction of nuclear disarmament.

Regrettably, they are moving away from that direction....

→ Alert status has been raised, the role of nuclear weapons in military doctrine remains central, and transparency continues to be reduced.

The absence of a legal framework on security assurance also exacerbates the current global security landscape.

Therefore, there is a fundamental need for this Conference to yield tangible results.

On that note, I would like to underline three pertinent points.

### First, we need to transform obligations into concrete actions.

States Parties should honor their commitments under the NPT and its previous Review Conferences.

The cessation of nuclear weapons doctrines and liquidation of global stockpiles shall be implemented promptly.

We must reaffirm our commitment to the Treaty and achieve balanced progress among its three mutually enforcing pillars.

#### Second, we have to strengthen disarmament architecture.

We cannot let disarmament takes a dangerous step backwards and strengthen the existing building blocks.

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons complements the implementation of article IV of the NPT.

States Parties should expedite the entry into force of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty.

Nuclear Weapon Free Zones should be established, where it is not present, and strengthened.

# Third, we must continuously promote nuclear technology for peaceful uses.

We must bear in mind that the inalienable right of States to develop nuclear technology for peaceful uses should be preserved.

Therefore, we need to redouble support to the IAEA, as the sole competent authority, in providing broader technical assistance in the areas of peaceful application of nuclear technology, in support of national priorities.

#### Mr. President,

The key to the implementation of the NPT is integrity and credibility.

We, therefore, shall avoid any possible abuse or misuse, which may progress towards non-compliance of the Treaty.

The use of nuclear energy for military activities is particularly concerning, as it poses threats to the sanctity of the NPT and carries destructive potentials with humanitarian and environmental consequences.

Therefore, to advance the agenda of "saving lives", Indonesia presents a working paper titled...

→ Nuclear Naval Propulsion with a view to raise awareness on the necessity to tighten verification and monitoring measures of nuclear naval propulsion programs.

We also share the view of the Director General of the IAEA on the importance of technical answers to address questions regarding the nuclear naval propulsion project.

In this regard, we render States Parties to support Indonesia's Working Paper.

Lastly, Mr. President,

Today, global attention is turning towards us.

The outcome of this Conference, or lack thereof, will be put under spotlight.

It will not only determine the future of disarmament and non-proliferation,

but more importantly, the world's trust to multilateralism.

We shall not repeat the failure of the 2015 NPT RevCon, which was ended

without a consensus outcome document.

It is high time for us to walk the talk, aiming nothing but progress and be

guided by the spirit of multilateralism.

Indonesia stands ready to work with all States Parties in achieving the total

abolishment of nuclear weapons, as an assurance for humanity to thrive

and prevail.

I thank you.

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